

PACKERS ARE SUED FOR A HUGE AMOUNT

Six of the Leading Meat Pack-
ing Concerns of Country
Asked for \$16,500,000

EACH CONCERN IS
PENALIZED AS A TRUST

Arkansas Asks Court to Fine
Big Concerns \$3,300,000
For Discrimination

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Feb. 27.—Suits were filed here today by the state against the Cudahy Packing company, National Packing company, Jacob Dole Packing company, Morris Packing company, Swift & Co., and Southern Beef and Provision company asking penalties aggregating \$16,500,000 each for alleged violations of the state anti-trust laws which were upheld last week by the supreme court of the United States in the case against the Hammond Packing company.

The state charges the companies with being in an unlawful combination to control prices and with discrimination against their competitors from January 19, 1907, until February 27, 1909.

BLUEJACKETS ENTERTAINED

NORFOLK, Feb. 27.—Norfolk was in a blaze of light tonight in recognition of the distinction of being the first American city to entertain the bluejackets of the American battleship fleet after the cruise around the world.

Two thousand men, who make up the greater part of the enlisted personnel of the fleet, were in line.

HALSEY CANNOT MOVE

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 27.—The Halsey, indicted while he was an official of the Pacific States Telephone company and charged with implication in the bribery of the supervisors, was today refused permission to take up his residence in Southern California on account of ill health.

Judge Dumas, who made the order, intimated that the trial of Halsey would be commenced within a few weeks.

OFFICIALS OF FISH TRUST ARE INDICTED

President and Assistant Treas-
urer of A. Booth & Co.
Charged With Fraudulently
Obtaining \$300,000.

CHICAGO, Feb. 27.—W. Vernon Booth, president of A. Booth & Co., the so-called fish trust which went into the hands of a receiver last September, and P. R. Robbins, former assistant treasurer of the company, were indicted today.

They, with others to the grand jury unknown, are charged with entering into a conspiracy by means of which they secured "artificially, maliciously and feloniously," etc., the sum of \$300,000 from the Continental Bank of Chicago. The two men are jointly indicted in one true bill which contains only three counts, none of them differing substantially from the other.

W. Vernon Booth inherited from his father what is said to have been the largest fishing business in the world. The elder Booth was a hard-working business man, who to his last day could and would cheat a fish or land a salmon with any of his employees. His son, William Vernon, upon his accession to power, was one of the best known piano players on the coast, and was socially prominent. Under his leadership A. Booth & Co. branched out.

A search for assets was instituted before the transfer in chancery. Harvey Booth, in behalf of creditor banks to which the company is alleged to owe large sums. The liabilities were estimated at over \$5,000,000, but the assets dwindled to \$2,000,000.

NEGRO CONFESSES

ALBANY, La., Feb. 27.—John Junken, a negro confined in jail here charged with the murder of Clara Rooca, confessed that he killed the young woman at Ottumwa three weeks ago.

ARIZONA WEATHER

WASHINGTON, Feb. 27.—Fair on Sunday and Monday.

ENLARGE STATE'S POWER ON PROHIBITION

WASHINGTON, Feb. 27.—Following the prohibition agitation in Tennessee, Representative Brownlow introduced in the house today a bill to enable states to more effectively enforce laws on prohibition.

It provides for surrender of full control of liquor traffic.

NEYLAN IN FIGHT WITH A STATESMAN

Former Newspaper Man of Bis-
bee and State Senator of
California Come to Blows in
Sacramento

(Special to Review.)
SACRAMENTO, Cal., February 27.—During an altercation over the Lusk Creek bill in the lounge room of the Senate tonight, George McKee, of San Francisco, struck John Neylan, a San Francisco newspaper man, and when Senator Wright of San Diego undertook to separate the combatants, the latter received a severe blow on the jaw from McKee's fist.

Explaining the cause of the fight Senator Wright said:

"Neylan asked me why I dropped out of the fight for the proposition to condemn only forty-four blocks of land in Lusk Creek basin for the purpose of making an addition to the wharfage area in San Francisco harbor. I told him that I had heard rumors that money was being used in the fight between the advocates of the forty-four-block proposition and those who wished to condemn the whole sixty-three blocks specified in Senator Welch's bill now before the Legislature."

"Neylan and McKee then discussed the matter in what I believed to be a joking manner until McKee struck Neylan. The latter grappled with the former and I attempted to separate them, whereupon I received a blow in the face."

"I have held all along that there was no necessity for condemning any of the property under discussion, as it is held by the state under an old grant."

McKee has been advocating the condemnation of only forty-four blocks of land. He came here as the representative of the Shipowners Association of San Francisco.

Neylan is well known in Bisbee, being for many months on the staff of the Review.

TAFT AT WASHINGTON

WASHINGTON, Feb. 27.—President-elect W. H. and Mrs. Taft arrived in Washington from New York today to remain until the inauguration. Taft was driven at once to the White House.

The subject on which Taft desired an audience with President Roosevelt related to his inaugural address.

LOSES \$15,000 AT BACCARAT

Charles M. Schwab Bets 12-
000 Francs Per
Minute

PARIS, Feb. 27.—Charles M. Schwab, the American gambler, lost 12,000 francs in as many minutes at a famous gambling club here. In the afternoon, after entertaining a party of American girls at the club, he tried his luck at baccarat, betting exactly 12,000 francs per minute. He lost 12,000 all told.

"I've quit gambling," he said as he paid up and declined a polite invitation to continue.

BIG APPROPRIATION PASSES

WASHINGTON, Feb. 27.—The Rivers and harbors bill, carrying an appropriation of about \$9,700,000, was passed by the senate today.

Engle was delivered upon the lives of the late Senator Lattimer of South Carolina, and the late Representative Powers of Maine, Representative Wiley of Alabama, Representative Myers of Louisiana, Representative Brick of Indiana and Representative Gardner of Rhode Island.

THREE TOWNS FLOODED

LEXINGTON, Ky., Feb. 27.—Reports from the Lexington river in the eastern Kentucky mountains today are that three towns have been isolated by water so far, Salt Lick, Farmer and Wyandott, while Shiloh and West Liberty are in danger.

PLAYWRIGHT FOSTER PLAYWRIGHT FOSTER WEDS

PACIFIC BEACH, Cal., Feb. 7.—Carlton Russell Foster, the playwright, was married today to Miss Alice Anderson of this place.

BAD CIGAR THE CAUSE OF TRAGEDY

H. Gill Shoots and Fatally
Wounds Charles Bell At
Castle Rock House

GILL CLAIMS SHOOTING
WAS IN SELF-DEFENSE

Little Known of Either Man Ex-
cept Both Were Quiet and
Peaceable

Charles Bell, miner, 32 years old, was shot and fatally wounded by H. Gill, a carpenter, aged 51, at the Castle Rock Lodge house where they were room mates at 7:30 o'clock last evening. Gill, who is in jail, claims self-defense.

The stories told by the principals in the affair differ so widely as to the cause of Gill's rash act that it is hard to decide just how the affair came up. Gill, however, in very few words over the shooting and told three different stories of how it occurred while his victim sticks to one account. Both men had good reputations, although Gill is said to be a socialistic crank.

Gill and Bell were alone in the room at the time of the shooting and there were no other witnesses. The story told by Bell in making a dying statement in the presence of half a dozen witnesses is as follows:

He had been ill for several days, having a severe cold and slight attack of the grip, but had been working as usual at the Sacramento shaft. Last night Gill was smoking a strong cigar and he asked him to refrain, saying that he was ill, and it made him more so. Gill cursed him and told him to go to the Copper Queen hospital if he was sick. He, Bell, started to open the door, rising from his bed to do so. Gill evidently mistaking his motive for rising, jerked out a revolver and fired at him. He had not even a pin in his clothing to serve as a weapon, he stated. Gill was lying on his bed smoking and pulled the pistol from somewhere about the bed or his clothing to shoot. He then ran out. Bell stated that the real reason Gill shot him was because he had made fun of his socialistic tendencies in the past. Bell has been here four months working as a miner prior to the shooting.

Gill's story was very different. He declared that Bell, after cursing him, rose from his bed and started after him with a knife. He shot in self-defense, he declares. Further than this and to say that Bell is mentally unbalanced, he volunteered no statement. Gill came to Bisbee January 26, and has since been working here as a carpenter. During that time he has roomed with Bell.

One fact which serves to render Gill's story doubtful is the claim of roomers who roomed with the two upon hearing the noise of a shot in room 10, that as he walked calmly walked past them he stated that Bell had tried to kill him with a knife. At the outer door, he told Mr. Frick, a roomer that a man had committed suicide in that room. Gill is a miner and is troubled with kidney disease. Immediately after the shooting Gill went to the home of Frank Wilson, a transient man to whom he stated that he had shot a man in self-defense. Wilson notified Constable Twomey and Deputy White, who arrested Gill and placed him in jail. The weapon used was a .38 caliber Smith and Wesson.

Immediately after the shooting Bell was removed to the Copper Queen hospital where he was immediately operated on by Drs. Miner and Watkins, in the hope of saving his life. The wound was found to start on the upper left breast, the ball penetrating the left of the right lung as it rang off downward and lodging in the tissue beneath the right shoulder blade in the back. It could not be located. The physicians declare there is little or no chance for his recovery.

Nothing of Bell's antecedents can be ascertained and strange to say he refuses to give the names of any relatives or his former home. Gill came here from Yuma. He has a family residing in Los Angeles, but refused to discuss them or give their names.

HOUSE WISHES TO RE-INSTATE NEGRO

Troops Implicated in Browns-
ville Affair Will Be Given
Chance to Rejoin

WASHINGTON, Feb. 27.—Under a special rule the house today passed the bill granting the discharged negro soldiers of the Twenty-fifth Infantry said to have been involved in "Shooting up" Brownsville, Texas, the right to prove their innocence, and thus make them eligible for rejoining the army.

Main speeches were made. Speaker Cannon spoke in opposition, and declared that congress was seeking by the bill to set aside the most rigorous act of the Roosevelt administration. The bill now looks only the president's signature.

ROOSEVELT GIVES NAVAL PROGRAM

Suggests the Apportionment
of Work and Officers of
the Naval Board

WASHINGTON, Feb. 27.—President Roosevelt's commission on naval reorganization, whose final report went to congress today, outlines the new departmental system, which the president declares is sound and conservative and in full accord with American policies.

It contemplates a secretary, general council and military council. The military council and redistribution of duties present battle of five divisions, the chiefs of which are to compose the grand council, who are to be an assistant secretary, three flag officers, a naval constructor and a civilian with technical training.

In submitting the plan the president says: "Nothing drastic is recommended as to the bureau or other agencies by means of which purely business affairs of the navy department are now administered. It provides merely money be spent wisely instead of as at present, when a portion is as wisely as possible."

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Hargis' recent outbreaks in which he created a reign of terror is said to have caused his bondsmen to surrender him. The youth recently went to a dance and attempted to murder his cousin.

MAYBRAY FORMERLY WYOMING COWBOY

OMAHA, Feb. 27.—J. C. Maybray, who is under arrest in Little Rock, Ark., as the alleged leader of the Council Bluffs gang of swindlers, was formerly a cowboy on the Wyoming plains and he and Mayor Dahlman were fellow cowpunchers twenty-five years ago.

MAKES OFFER TO RAISE THE U. S. S. MAINE

Arbuckle, Who Floated the
Cruiser Yankee, Says He
Can Bring Battleship to the
Surface

NEW YORK, Feb. 27.—John Arbuckle, who floated the cruiser Yankee from Spindle Rock after others had abandoned the task as hopeless, announced that he was in negotiation with the government to raise the Maine. He declared with the utmost confidence that he can bring the battleship to the surface and tow her to a dry dock with less difficulty than he had in floating the Yankee.

If he can obtain a reasonable appropriation and permission to make the attempt to raise the battleship, Mr. Arbuckle declares that he will surely be able to settle for all time the question whether the United States was justified in going to war with Spain because of the blowing up of the vessel in Havana harbor in 1898.

Hundreds of thousands of words have been written which purported to show conclusively just what happened to the Maine; technicians report have been made by experts and amateurs as to whether the vessel blew herself up or struck a sunken mine; not long ago a circumstantial story was published giving the details of the supposed plot and how an American to save his life, was compelled to touch off the mine.

None Knows What Happened.

But, in the most guarded way, it has for long been admitted by the government officials that nobody really knows to this day the exact truth of what actually happened.

"It is true that there have been negotiations between me and government officials in Washington," Mr. Arbuckle said last night at his home in Brooklyn, "but anything to be said regarding the details of the negotiations should come from Washington."

"I would like nothing better than to undertake to raise the Maine, aside from all money considerations. I am deeply interested in the invention of compressed air devices for raising wrecks, and I am so thoroughly convinced that I have a device which would save the Maine as long as she is in danger that I am anxious to put it to the work."

"It is sincerely to be hoped that congress will not favorably upon the proposed legislation looking to an appropriation to lift the battleship. I have the experts here and I am not at all sure, but they said the chances were good, but they said the chances were good, but they said the chances were good."

Divers Examine Wreck.

"I have had divers make as close an examination as possible of the wrecked Maine, and the conditions involved in the undertaking, informal plans, the length of time the work will probably require and an approximate estimate of the cost have all been carefully figured out and laid before the proper authorities. Even the special compressed air device that would be used has been planned, and I am all ready to go to work as soon as the proper authority is granted by the government."

ARIZONA IS INVOLVED IN OFFICIAL MUD

Officers of This Territory Nam-
ed With Those of New Mex-
ico in Nelson's Charges

HE SAYS THEY WOULD
PROFIT BY STATEHOOD

Little Chance of Territories Get-
ting in Now—Curry Invites
Fullest Investigation

WASHINGTON, Feb. 27.—Charges against the territorial officials of New Mexico and Arizona which were filed before the senate committee on territories today were taken so seriously that they gave rise to a serious question upon the statehood bill for those territories which may have existed was utterly destroyed. Senator Nelson of Minnesota held before the committee a mass of indictments and alleged evidence tending to show that many of the territorial officials and forest, statehood boomers are involved in a land deal on a large scale. The charge is that the bill as drawn would turn over to extensive tracts of land to these officials. Senator Nelson and other senators who are with him here today stand upon a report of Ormsby Mclary of North Dakota, formerly an assistant attorney general of the United States, who made an investigation of affairs in the two territories. Mark Smith and Andrews both state that the only hopes for admission is as a rider on the appropriation bill. It is reported that the reason Adair opposed the bill is because some of his constituents are interested in the territories and prefer to state.

CURRY MAKES REPLY

SANTA FE, N. M., Feb. 27.—When informed of the action of the senate committee of congress with reference to the Arizona and New Mexico statehood bill and the attack made upon him and others in connection with the affairs of New Mexico, Governor Curry was indignant and eloquently replied.

He said the people of New Mexico regarded the fullest investigation of all the charges, and that the more searching the investigation the more complete would be their vindication.

In some of the communications laid before the committee on territories which today abandoned their consideration of the bill, references were made to "rough rider influence," and it was declared that Governor Curry had a number of others had made several trips to Washington to have the agents of the department of justice called off when they were investigating land fraud cases.

Miss Lawler, a stenographer, who assisted in land fraud cases, made a statement to the committee which indicated that the lives of government agents were in danger as long as they persisted in investigations.

TUCSON OPINIONS

Does Randolph say: "I feared that the senate committee would kill the statehood measure."

Colonel W. E. Sturgeon said: "I am greatly disappointed. However, the failure can not be blamed to any one party, as it was not a party measure."

BALKAN SITUATION

LONDON, Feb. 27.—The powers are not finding a solution of the Balkan difficulty as easy as they expected a week ago. What Russia, in common with Great Britain, attempted is that an effort be made to have Serbia state explicitly claims in the way of compensation.

Before claims are finally presented the powers desire to know what Austria-Hungary is willing to concede, and it has been suggested with this in view that Vienna should be indirectly approached.

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MEXICAN AMBASSADOR FORMALLY PRESENTED

WASHINGTON, Feb. 27.—Cordial expressions of friendship from both sides characterized the presentation today to the president of Senor Don Francisco de la Barra, Mexican ambassador to this country. He expressed great friendliness for American people.

STRANGE CASE IS PUZZLING PHYSICIANS

Massachusetts Girl in Trance
Five Days Communes With
Spirits of Dead Relatives—
Remarkable Case

WARE, Mass., Feb. 26.—Doctors are puzzled over the strange case of this 14-year-old Clara Larmarch, of this place, who for six days, with the exception of a brief period last Tuesday, was in a trance-like condition. The girl received no nourishment for five days, and yet she appeared to be in good health today when she recovered consciousness.

While the child was in the strange condition she made many remarkable statements, speaking of her father and three brothers, who died some years ago, as though she were in direct communication with them. Once, in addressing her dead father, the girl said: "I will soon be with you and my brothers, father."

Clara is the daughter of Mrs. George Larmarch, an invalid. There are three other children in the family, the eldest being a man of twenty-seven, who is an invalid. Eva Larmarch, fifteen years, is the sole support of the family.

Last Monday night Clara ate a hearty dinner and soon afterward complained of feeling dizzy. She went to her room, and had been there only a few minutes when Mrs. Larmarch heard a cry. When the mother reached the bedroom the girl was lying unconscious on the floor.

Dr. H. D. Gaffney was summoned and he administered restoratives, but the child did not respond to treatment. After several hours the girl's breathing became more regular and it was thought possibly she was only sleeping. A watch was kept at the bedside, and early Tuesday morning a slight rising of the eyelids was observed. It lasted only an instant.

Mrs. Larmarch was in the kitchen of her home later Tuesday morning, when she was astounded to see her daughter walk into the room. The girl detected the look of surprise on her mother's face and said:

"I'm all right, mother; don't be frightened. Kiss me."

Mrs. Larmarch kissed the child and then prepared breakfast for her. Immediately after eating breakfast the girl again became ill and went to bed. She fell almost instantly into a deep sleep, from which she did not awake until today. Clara asked her mother what day it was, and upon learning that it was Sunday requested that she come to see her. The girl was brought to her.

UNCLE JOE STILL IS SITTING TIGHT

Gaines, of Tennessee, Declar-
ed Out of Order and Is
Finally Cowed

WASHINGTON, Feb. 27.—A sharp clash between Representative Gaines of Tennessee and Speaker Cannon, occurred in the house today in the course of which each claimed he had been insulted by the other.

So persistent was Gaines in addressing the chair when he had been declared out of order, that the speaker directed the sergeant-at-arms to compel him to be in order.

The sergeant-at-arms for the first time in several years took the man from his stand and proceeded toward Mr. Gaines, but the speaker called him back upon hearing the Tennessee member say he would be in order.

The trouble arose during the reading of the general deficiency appropriation bill, Gaines insisting on interrupting.

CHICAGO TEAM COMES WEST

OMAHA, Feb. 27.—Charles Conley, manager of the Chicago American baseball team, with 22 players, is en route to Los Angeles for spring training. The party passed through on a special train today.

KING IN AUTO ACCIDENT

MADRID, Feb. 27.—King Alfonso narrowly escaped while riding in an automobile which skidded and struck a tree. Two occupants were not injured.

THE POPE INDISPOSED

ROME, Feb. 27.—The Pope was indisposed today and felt so ill he was obliged to suspend further audiences. The attending physicians do not consider his sickness grave.

THOUGHTS OF LIQUOR LAW AND SCANDAL

Mingle With the Delicate Odor-
of Orange Blossoms and
Scenic Beauty

AUTO RIDE SUPERCEDES
MATTERS OF STATE

Nevertheless Solons Can Not
Lose Sight of Grave
Questions

(Special to Review.)
PHOENIX, Feb. 27.—Arizona solons will tonight dream of orange groves and canals. For seven hours today they were guests of a local organization and in automobiles were driven through the orange belt of the valley, and thence to Granite Reef, where luncheon was served. En route home the trip was made via the sugar factory. Other than a few punctured tires the trip was without accident.

The segregation bill still holds the attention of members, and speculation is made on the fate of the measure in the council. The rumor which has already worked against the bill is that the republicans in the house voted for the bill, hoping it would pass both branches and give Kibbey a chance to veto it.

On Monday a bill providing for state-wide prohibition will be brought into the house.

At the capital today Attorney General Clark conducted an examination of witnesses in connection with the fair commissioner's removal on the order of the governor. The evidence was largely documentary, but it was easy to see that the case was being made to furnish the council with evidence bearing on the case in the event that a new set of commissioners were named, and the council refused to confirm it.

Adams filed a written answer to the charges, but did not remain during the taking of evidence by the council. In support of his charges, his first move was to secure the appointment of a disinterested party to take evidence, but Clark decided that the governor was the only person who could sit in judgment. The case will develop some startling sensations before it closes, probably next Tuesday.

BOODLE OF CROOKS HAS BEEN FOUND

Three Packages Containing
\$60,000 Held in Express Of-
fice Under Order of the
Court For Safe Keeping

DAVENPORT, Ia., Feb. 27.—Three packages addressed to "Monty" McCall, of Davenport, Ia., one of the Eldorado, and supposed to contain \$60,000 shipped here by the Little Rock Ark. swindlers, who are now prisoners, are being held here under attachment proceedings and will not be returned to Little Rock until released by the court.

J. E. Channagah, who says he was swindled out of \$37,000 by the gang, succeeded in filing up the packages by court proceedings and hopes to get his money back.

At present the contents of the packages is only a matter of conjecture. They were shipped under a nominal valuation of \$25, each with the charges prepaid.

"Monty" McCall was the name by which one of the Little Rock prisoners was known. Davenport was their headquarters for several years.

ELEVEN COUNTIES GO DRY

INDIANAPOLIS, Feb. 27.—During the week-end session have voted against the saloon. Out of 25 counties one has voted for the saloon; 350 saloons will be abolished as the result of the elections in six more counties, which will vote next week.

PRESIDENT HAS AUTHORITY

WASHINGTON, Feb. 27.—In reaching a complete agreement against the naval bill today the senate conferees needed from the amendment authorizing the president to keep half of the navy on the Pacific coast. The house approved this on the ground that the president already had this authority, and because it exposed the policy suggested by the amendment.

FLOODING I FLOW LANDS

MEMPHIS, Feb. 27.—With the rise in the Mississippi river becoming more rapid with each hour, a flood stage of 33 feet is anticipated at this point by Sunday next. While the lowlands on the western bank of the river would be inundated, a serious overflow is not probable.